HOUSE BILL No. 1232

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 6-6-11

Synopsis: Lake and river enhancement fee and fund. Increases the lake and river enhancement fee on boats from \$5 to \$15. Requires that at least one-third of the money in the lake and river enhancement fund be used to support the law enforcement division of the department of natural resources, and that at least one-third of the money be used for projects in lakes and rivers to remove sediment or control exotic or invasive plants or animals.

Effective: July 1, 2001.

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January 9, 2001, read first time and referred to Committee on Ways and Means.





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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning natural and cultural resources.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

SECTION 1. IC 6-6-11-12 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2001]: Sec. 12. (a) In addition to paying the boat excise tax, a boat owner shall complete a form and pay a department of natural resources fee for each boat required to have boat excise decals. The fee is five dollars (\$5) for each boating year. However, the fee is waived for the boating year in which the registration fee prescribed by IC 9-29-15 is paid for that boat. The revenue from the fees collected under this chapter shall be transferred to the department of natural resources, as provided in section 29 of this chapter.

(b) In addition to the boat excise tax and the department of natural resources fee, a boat owner shall pay to the department of natural resources a five fifteen dollar (\$5) (\$15) lake and river enhancement fee for each boat required to have boat excise decals. The revenue from the lake and river enhancement fee shall be deposited in the lake and river enhancement fund established by section 12.5 of this chapter.

SECTION 2. IC 6-6-11-12.5 IS AMENDED TO READ AS



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1	FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2001]: Sec. 12.5. (a) The lake and	
2	river enhancement fund is established for the purpose of paying costs	
3	incurred by the department of natural resources in implementing the	
4	lake and river enhancement projects required by IC 14-32-7-12(b)(7).	
5	At least one-third (1/3) of the money in the fund must be used to	
6	support the law enforcement division of the department of natural	
7	resources established under IC 14-9-8. At least one-third (1/3) of	
8	the money in the fund must be used for projects in lakes and rivers	
9	to:	
.0	(1) remove sediment; or	
1	(2) control exotic or invasive plants or animals.	
.2	(b) The fund shall be administered by the director of the department	
.3	of natural resources.	
4	(c) Expenses of administering the fund shall be paid from money in	
.5	the fund.	
.6	(d) The fund consists of the revenue from the lake and river	
.7	enhancement fee paid by boat owners under IC 6-6-11-12(b). section	
. 8	12(b) of this chapter.	
9	(e) Money in the fund at the end of a state fiscal year does not revert	
20	to the state general fund.	
21	(f) With the approval of the governor and the budget agency, money	
22	in the fund may be used to augment and supplement the funds	
23	appropriated for the implementation of lake and river enhancement	
24	projects required by IC 14-32-7-12(b)(7).	_

